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## AWARDS

# Hadid, Chipperfield and a bamboo house scoop World Architecture Festival awards

A bamboo house in Costa Rica designed by UK-based architect Benjamin Garcia Saxe for his mother on a budget of £24,000 was among the winners at this year's World Architecture Festival (WAF) in Barcelona.

The home, named *A Forest for A Moon Dazzler*, won the 'best house' category at the international architectural showcase, now into its third year.

The awards were dominated by schemes in Singapore, including the School of the Arts by WOHA, the Helix Bridge by Australian practice Cox Rayner Architects and the 'soaring' Pinnacle@Duxton by ARC Studio. The projects won the 'learning', 'housing' and 'transport' categories respectively.

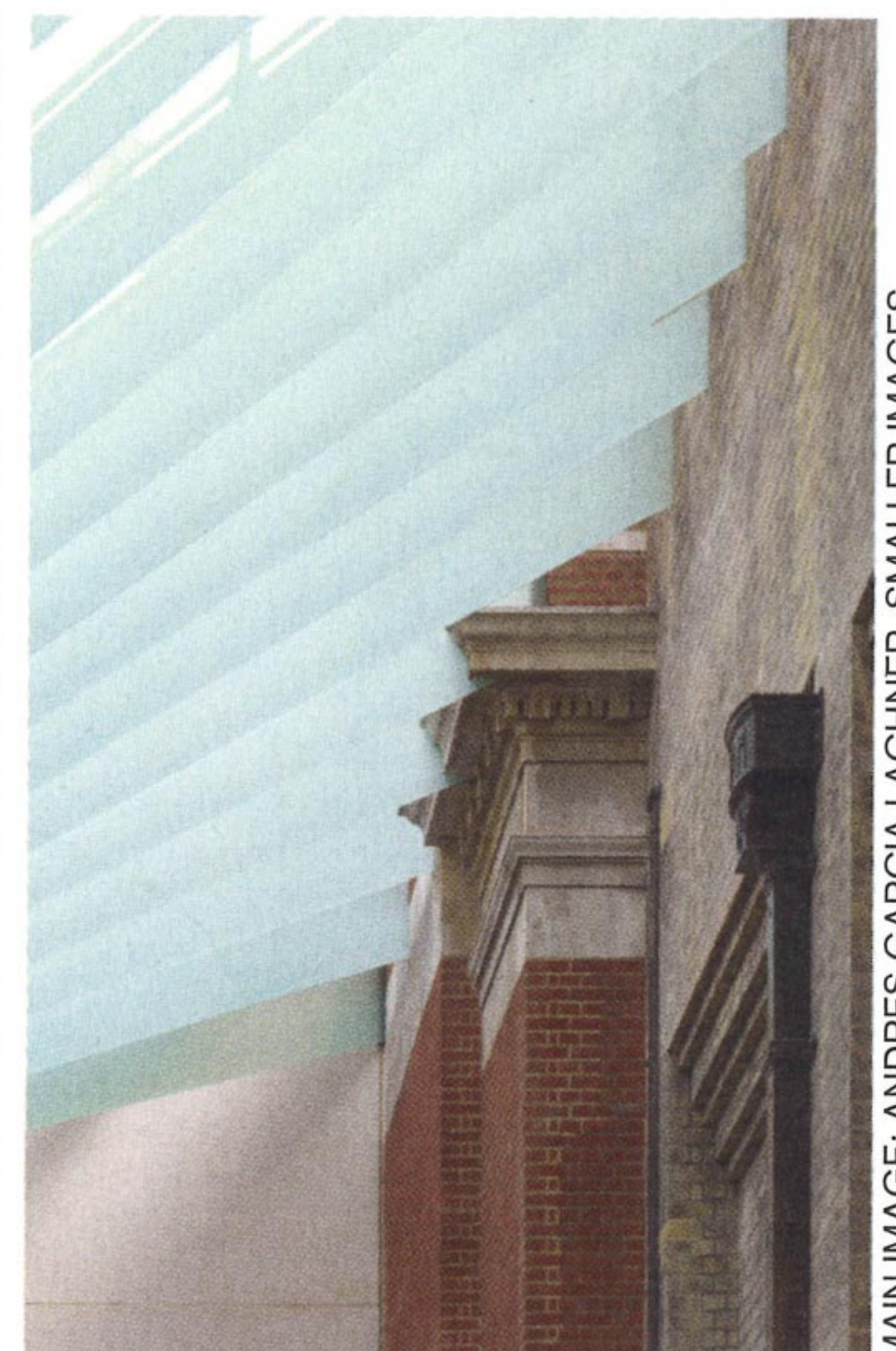
The prestigious 'world building of the year' award was handed to Zaha Hadid Architects' Stirling Prize-winning MAXXI.

Speaking at the awards ceremony, CAFE chair Paul Finch described the museum as 'like an unwound Guggenheim, with ribbons of connective space... it is a building that will still be talked about in the history of architecture in 50 years' time.'

London's MUMA won the 'structural design of the year' award for its V&A Medieval and Renaissance Galleries, while David Chipperfield won WAF's 'civic and community' category with its City of Justice scheme in Barcelona. *Richard Waite*  
[To see all the winners visit www.worldarchitecturefestival.com](http://www.worldarchitecturefestival.com)



**Main picture** The bamboo house by Benjamin Garcia Saxe  
**Above left** Zaha Hadid Architects'



**MAXXI Bottom** WOHA's School of the Arts **Above right** MUMA's Victoria and Albert Museum galleries

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CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: HELENE BINET, WOHA, MUMA